

Ready or not, here comes the 2017-18 school year! It's an exciting time for new beginnings. At CHS, we are continuing our journey towards a digital environment. We will implement a 1:1 initiative by providing every student a Chrome Book to use in all of their classes. We will also be adjusting our schedule a bit to allow for our teachers to provide a daily Advisory Period. Our Advisory Period goes from a weekly to a daily event in an effort to provide additional enrichment and interventions to address the needs of all of our students.

Registration dates are listed below. Freshman Orientation is different than the other grade-level registrations. This event calls for all of our freshmen and their parents to be at the school at 6:00pm for a presentation, Q&A session, and tours for incoming freshmen. Our Student Council will be present to welcome the new freshmen and make them comfortable as they start their transition to the high school.

We encourage all of our students to attend at their scheduled times, but we understand that some of our students and parents might not be available during those times. If your student is going to be gone during his/her assigned time, please contact the CHS office to make alternate arrangements for registration. Parents of freshmen or sophomores should ask for Mrs. Ellen Tsikoyak, while parents of juniors or seniors should ask for Mrs. Buffy Tipton.

Fall sports practices begin on Monday, July 31st (except volleyball which begins on Wednesday, August 2nd). Our coaches will be closely monitoring the athletes to avoid heat injuries and have all been through CPR and first-aid training. Coaches will stress hydration and will monitor the workload during the hottest times. Student athletes should check with their coaches for practice times and any other information they need. Schedules for contests for all sports can be found on the "CHS Athletics" page on the Chillicothe R-II website. (www.chillicotheschools.org)

We have some new faces in the high school with additions to our faculty. Mrs. Stephanie Prather will fill our Library Media Specialist position for 2017-18. Mrs. Karla Kelly & Ms. Fallon Howe will be joining our ELA department to add to our already outstanding English Department. Finally, we are welcoming Mrs. Lila Moore to take over directing our Art Department. We are very excited about adding these experienced and talented educators to our CHS faculty.

We are looking forward to a great school year. Communication between parents and the school is vital. Please utilize the school web page for school information, sports schedules and other calendar issues. Athletic schedules can be found on the CHS Athletics web page under "printable schedules." We encourage all parents to sign-up for text-casting through the Hornet Alert link on the district website and for the SIS Parent Portal, also found on the district's website. We would also like to invite everyone to the Meet the Hornets and our CHS Open House on August 15th. Please feel free to contact the high school office with any questions or concerns you may have.

The CHS schedule kicks off with the following important dates:

- July 31, Monday – Fall sports practices begin
- August 8, Tuesday – 9:00 – 11:00am Senior Registration – CHS Commons
6:00pm – Freshman Orientation – Performing Arts Center
- August 9, Wednesday – 9:00 – 11:00am Junior Registration – CHS Commons
1:00 – 3:00pm Sophomore Registration – CHS Commons
- August 11, Friday – 7:00pm - Football Jamboree at Grain Valley High School
- August 12, Saturday – 9:00am - Soccer Jamboree at Excelsior Springs
- August 14, Monday – 6:00pm – Chillicothe Booster Club grilling hot dogs & chips
(Doors open at 5:30pm) Free for fall athletes, coaches & Booster Club members/ Free-will donation for all others
7:00pm – MEET THE HORNETS- CHS Gym
Fall Sports athletes will be introduced
6:00 – 8:00pm – Open House with the CHS faculty

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